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The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 58/208 of 23 December 2003 and 59/241 of 22 December 2004,

Recalling also its resolution 57/270 B of 23 June 2003 on the integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic and social fields,

Recalling further the development section of the 2005 World Summit Outcome,[1]

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General,[2]

1. *Decides* that the High-level Dialogue on International Migration and Development will be held in New York on 14 and 15 September 2006;

2. *Urges* Member States to participate in the High-level Dialogue at the ministerial level;

3. *Decides* that the Holy See, in its capacity as observer State, and Palestine, in its capacity as observer, shall participate in the High-level Dialogue;

4. *Invites* relevant United Nations agencies, funds and programmes as well as the International Organization for Migration, to contribute to the preparation of and to participate in the High-Level Dialogue, which will be open to those intergovernmental organizations and entities that have observer status with the General Assembly in accordance with the rules of procedure;

* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.

[1] See resolution 60/1.

[2] A/60/205.

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5. *Decides* that the High-level Dialogue will consist of four plenary meetings and four interactive round tables;

6. *Also decides* that the President of the General Assembly, the President of the Economic and Social Council and the Secretary-General of the United Nations will make introductory statements at the opening of the High-level Dialogue;

7. *Further decides* that the High-level Dialogue will discuss the overall theme of the multidimensional aspects of international migration and development in order to identify appropriate ways and means to maximize its development benefits and minimize its negative impacts;

8. *Decides* that the round tables will be open to all Member States, the Holy See, in its capacity as observer State, and Palestine, in its capacity as observer, and representatives of relevant entities of the United Nations system and the International Organization for Migration as well as to other relevant regional and international intergovernmental organizations that have observer status, and also decides that the round tables will be organized as follows:

(a) The first set of the two interactive round tables will be held concurrently in the afternoon of the first day;

(b) The second set of two interactive round tables will be held concurrently in the morning of the second day;

(c) Summaries of the deliberations of the four round-table sessions will be presented orally by the chairpersons of the round-table sessions during the concluding plenary meeting of the High-level Dialogue;

9. *Further decides* that the themes for each of the four round tables will be the following:

(a) Round table 1 will focus on the impacts of international migration on economic and social development;

(b) Round table 2 will focus on measures to ensure respect for and protection of the human rights of migrants, migrant workers and members of their families;

(c) Round table 3 will focus on promoting international cooperation including building partnerships for the benefit of countries and migrants alike, and optimizing the role of regional consultative processes;

(d) Round table 4 will focus on the role of the United Nations system in enhancing coordination and collaboration on international migration and development;

10. *Decides* to hold informal interactive hearings in June/July 2006 with representatives of non-governmental organizations, civil society organizations and the private sector, to be presided over by the President of the General Assembly, and requests the President of the Assembly to prepare a summary of the hearings prior to the High-level Dialogue in September 2006;

11. *Also decides* that the President of the General Assembly will determine the list of invited participants and the exact format and organization of the hearings, in consultation with Member States and representatives of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, civil society organizations and the private sector;

12. *Further decides* that representatives of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, civil society organizations and the private sector, one from each grouping, selected during the informal interactive hearings, may also participate in each of the round tables of the High-level Dialogue, and decides that the President of the General Assembly will determine the list of such representatives, taking into account the principle of equitable geographical representation, in consultation with Member States;

13. *Decides* that arrangements concerning the participation of non-governmental organizations, civil society and the private sector in the High-level Dialogue will in no way create a precedent for other meetings of the General Assembly;

14. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to prepare a comprehensive overview of studies and analyses on the multidimensional aspects of migration and development, including the effects of migration on economic and social development in developed and developing countries, and on the effects of the movements of highly skilled migrant workers and those with advanced education, as a substantive input for the High-level Dialogue;

15. *Requests* the Secretary-General to address in his comprehensive report the issue of short-term movement of service providers and its impact in sending and receiving countries;

16. *Encourages* the regional commissions to facilitate dialogue at the regional level in preparation for the High-level Dialogue;

17. *Requests* the President of the General Assembly, in consultation with the Member States, and with the assistance of the Secretariat, to organize events prior to the High-level Dialogue with a focus on its overall theme;

18. *Notes* that the Commission on Population and Development, the Commission on Social Development and the Commission on the Status of Women will consider the issue of international migration within their respective mandates by the time of the High-level Dialogue, and invites their inputs through the Economic and Social Council;

19. *Invites* appropriate regional consultative processes and other major initiatives undertaken by Member States in the field of international migration to contribute to the High-level Dialogue;

20. *Takes note* of the submission to the Secretary General of the report of the Global Commission on International Migration and looks forward to its consideration at the High-level Dialogue;

21. *Reiterates* that the High-level Dialogue will result in a summary by the President of the General Assembly;

22. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare a note on the organization of work of the High-level Dialogue;

23. *Recalls its request* to the Secretary-General to submit a report to the General Assembly at its sixty-first session on the implementation of resolution 59/241;

24. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-first session the sub-item entitled "International migration and development".